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Applicant: Masayuki TANI *et al.*

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For: VIDEO OR INFORMATION PROCESSING METHOD AND
PROCESSING APPARATUS, AND MONITORING METHOD
AND MONITORING APPARATUS USING THE SAME

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

12 September 2002

Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application, Applicant hereby submits the attached copies of information for consideration by the Office under 37 C.F.R.


§§1.97 and 1.98, as listed on the attached Form PTO-1449.

Also attached are copies of two Japanese Patent Office (JPO) Actions issued 4 July 2000 and 16 April 2002 in a Japanese Patent Application corresponding to the present US case, as well as a list of references supplied by Applicant's foreign representative. English-language translations of the relevant portions of the attached JPO Actions are not currently available, but may be obtained and filed when obtained. Moreover, no copy of the reference JP-A-64-35697 was available to the undersigned. Again, a copy of such reference may be obtained and filed when obtained.

In accordance with the requirement for a Statement of Relevance with regard to JP 60-262094, the publication appears to disclose a monitoring device for a plant that allows images from more than one input to be viewed simultaneously.

The fee required for the filing of this IDS is submitted concurrently herewith by Form PTO-2038. Applicant respectfully submits that this IDS complies with all time and content requirements of §§1.97 and 1.98, and therefore, entry and consideration of this IDS is respectfully requested. Please charge any deficiency in fees to ATS&K Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (as Order No. 500.31754CX2), and please credit any overpayment or excess fees thereto.

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ATTACHMENTS:

Form PTO-1449

Six (6) JP References

With English Language Abstracts

Two (2) JPO Actions and

Foreign Representative List of References

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